

into one uniform text format, the present invention converts data into a plurality of output field types based on an input received by an application program. Moreover, unlike McCallum that appears to disclose a prewritten conversion engine specifically tailored to the requirements of the source system that generated the source data, the present invention generates an optimized conversion routine based on the input received at runtime for converting a plurality of input field types to a plurality of output field types. It is submitted that McCallum does not disclose or suggest generating a conversion routine at run time as claimed in claim 1 or dynamically generating a conversion routine as claimed in claims 8 and 15. Claims 2-7, 9-14, and 16-20 depend from claims 1, 8, and 15 respectively. Accordingly, for at least the foregoing reasons, it is submitted that claims 1-20 are patentable over McCallum.

This communication is believed to be fully responsive to the Office Action and every effort has been made to place the application in condition for allowance. The claims, in view of the foregoing explanation, are believed to be patentable over the prior art, and a favorable Office Action is hereby earnestly solicited.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, Applicant's undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

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